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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A method of manufacturing a slip-resistant photoluminescent device, comprising the steps:
 - a) preparing a first powdered component comprising at least a resin and a friction-enhancing material;
 - b) preparing a second powdered component comprising at least a resin and a photoluminescent pigment;
 - c) providing a substrate having at least one first recess configured for receiving the first powdered component and at least one second recess configured for receiving the second powdered component;
 - d) dispensing the first and second powdered components into the first and second recesses, and
 - e) heating the powdered components to fuse the resins and bond them to surfaces of the respective recesses.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein both resins are a heat curable polymer.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein both resins are hydroxy or carboxyl polyester.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the substrate is an elongate metal strip and the recesses are parallel and longitudinally extending.
5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the first and second powdered components are dispensed simultaneously.
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the first and second powdered components are mounded up in the first and second recesses so as to extend above an upper edge of each recess.

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7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the first and second recesses face upwardly when dispensing the first and second powdered components and each powdered component is gravity fed from a hopper through a die into the respective recesses

8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein the substrate is fed past each die while maintaining sliding engagement therewith so as to dispense the powdered components into recesses.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises a channel between the first and second recesses for receiving traces of the first and second components that may spill from the adjacent recesses.

10. (Previously Presented) A slip-resistant photo-luminescent device formed by the method of claim 1.

11. (Original) A slip-resistant photo-luminescent device comprising:

a substrate having at least one first recess and at least one second recess therein

a strip of photo-luminescent material bonded to each first recess,

a strip of friction-enhancing material bonded to each second recess, wherein

both the strip of photo-luminescent material and strip of friction-enhancing material are formed from heat-curable powdered resins heated to fuse the resins and bond them to surfaces of the respective recesses.

12. (Original) The slip-resistant photo-luminescent device of claim 11 wherein the substrate includes a channel between the first and second recesses for receiving traces of the powdered resins that may spill from the adjacent recesses.

13.-15. (Canceled)